PROCEEDINGS
of
THE TRAVANCORE SRI MULAM ASSEMBLY.

(OFFICIAL REPORT.)

THIRD ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION-SECOND MEETING—1945/1120.

Wednesday, the 13th June 1945/31st Edavam 1120.

The Assembly met again at 12 of the Clock on the 13th June 1945/31st Edavom 1120 at the Legislative Chamber of the Public Offices with the Dewan President in the Chair.

NEW MEMBERS.

1. Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker, (*Secretary to Government.*)
2. Rajyasevanirata Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai (*Director of Public Health.*)
3. Dr. S. John (*Surgeon General.*)
4. Dewan Bahadur L. Venkitakrishnan (*Chief Engineer.*)

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Roads in the Mavelikara and Kunnattur taluks.

164. *MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI (*Mavelikara* cum *Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) What the Government have done to improve the bad condition of the following roads in Mavelikara and Kunnattur taluks after the last session of the Assembly:—

(1) Mavelikara Pandalam road;
(2) Pandalam Kudassanad Noornad road;
(3) Kandiyoor Perungala road;
(4) Adoor Sasthancotta Pattakadavu road;
(5) Mavelikara Kuttitheruvu road;
(6) Charumood Bharanicavu road;
(7) Pallikal Punnammood road;
(8) Mavelikara Kattanam road;
(9) Yenadi Kadambanad road;
(10) Thamarakulam Oachira road;
(11) Pallikal Vallikunnam road; and
(12) Kadambanad Kunnattur road?

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DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN (*Ag. Chief Engineer*):

(*a*) (1) Mavelikara Pandalam road—Maintenance works costing Rs. 1,700 and gravel supply costing Rs. 607 have been done on account of the road.

(2) Pandalam Kudassanad Noornad road. A working estimate for ordinary maintenance work is being sanctioned by the Division Officer.

(3) Kandiyoor Perungala road. Maintenance works have been taken up and a special estimate for improving the road at a cost of Rs. 8,200 has been sanctioned.

(4) Adoor Sasthancotta Pattakadavu road. Ordinary maintenance works costing Rs. 905 have been done.

(5) Mavelikara Kuttitheruvu road. Ordinary maintenance works to the extent of Rs. 1,587 have been done; an expenditure of Rs. 338 has been incurred towards metalling miles 1/8 and 2/1 of the road, metal supply for Rs. 1,681 has been done for metalling the road in 2/2 to 5 and an estimate for about Rs. 35,000 has been prepared for wheel track metalling of the road from 2/6 to 8/4.

(6) Charumoodu Bharanicavu road. Ordinary maintenance works costing Rs. 709 (137 plus 572) have been done.

(7) Pallickal Punnamoodu road. Ordinary maintenance works for about Rs 123 have been done.

(8) Mavelikara Kattanam road. Gravel has been supplied for Rs. 1,785 for gravelling 1st mile of the road and ordinary maintenance works costing Rs. 798 have been done.

(9) Yenadi Kadambanad road. Maintenance works costing Rs. 43 and original works costing Rs. 465 have been done.

(10) Thamaracolam Oachira road. An estimate for reconstructing the Chathiara bridge is under preparation and ordinary maintenance of the road is being taken up.

(11) Pallikal Vallikunnam road. Ordinary maintenance works costing Rs. 272 have been done if the member refers to Kottapuzhakkal Thazhava road. There is no road known by the name Pallikal Vallikunnam road as referred to by the honourable member.

(12) Kadambanad Kunnattur road. Maintenance works costing Rs. 148 have been done from Kottarakara to Sasthancotta *via* Kunnattur crossing if the member refers to this road. There is no road by name Kadambanad Kunnattur road.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Will the honourable member state whether he is aware of the fact that the Mavelikara-Pandalam road is a road through which so many buses pass and therefore metalling is needed?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN: Yes.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Will he take steps to metal that road in the near future?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN: Yes. I shall have it looked into.

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MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Is the member aware that the Pandalam-Noornad road is another country road that is very much used by the agriculturists and the locality is a thickly populated one?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN: I have been told so.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Will the honourable member draw a scheme to maintain it and keep it in good condition?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN: Certainly, as far as possible.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: In regard to the Kandiyoor Peringala road, has any tender been called for?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN: Tenders were called for. The contractor who undertook the work asked for enhanced rate and that question is pending.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Does the member know that there is heavy wheeled traffic on the Adoor-Sasthamkottah road, and therefore it requires metalling.

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN: I have no information about it particularly. I will enquire.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: If I state that it is a road where the traffic is heavy, will the member consider about it?

PRESIDENT: That will be only one of the several aspects relating to it.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: About these twelve roads, will the honourable member be pleased to go seriously into the matter and see that they are repaired?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN: As far as possible. Excepting in two or three items mentioned here, I may state that much more than normal expenditure has been incurred. I will certainly look into the matter and see what can be done to improve them.

Piravom-Muvattupuzha Road.

165. *MR. K. M. PAUL (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware of the fact that the Piravom-Muvattupuzha road has become unfit for vehicular traffic?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN: No.

MR. K. M. PAUL: May I know whether the Chief Engineer has visited this road recently?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN: No, I have not inspected this particular road.

Lalam-Poonjar Road.

166. *MR. P. S. GOPALA PILLAI (*Minachil* cum *Thodupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the annual maintenance was done in the Lalam Poonjar road last year;

(*b*) what is the amount allotted for the same; and

(*c*) whether any maintenance work was done in the deviation road from Panakkal Palam to Mankompu during the last two years?

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